

Title (en)  
TELEPHONE SWITCHING MECHANISM

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SYSTEME DE COMMUTATION TELEPHONIQUE

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO9903119A1] An electro-mechanical circuit uses a plunger to open and close a circuit as an indication of the position of a flip portion of a mobile communication device. The plunger includes an electrically conductive portion which slidably contacts a contact pad. Upon contacting the contact pad, a change in logic states occurs which triggers circuitry to activate or de-activate the internal electronics within the communication device. This allows a user, for example, to activate a phone to receive a call without having to depress a specified switch. A common cam-follower mechanical configuration is used to cause the plunger to translate axially as the flip portion is moved.

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